

Follow Me, No Excuses
Luke 9:57-62

Main Point: *The more important Jesus is to you, the more you're willing to sacrifice for Him.*

Getting to Know You: What's the funniest excuse you've heard? Such as from a student to a teacher, an employee to a boss, or a player to a coach.

Looking Back:

1. How did you do in accomplishing your goals since last time we met?
2. Did anyone take the opportunity to share the gospel with a non-Christian, or disciple a Christian? Tell us about it.

Looking Up: Read Luke 9:57-62

3. What observations do you make about these three instances? What's similar and different?
4. What's the meaning of each response Jesus gives to each person?
5. Do you think Jesus is being a little too radical? Explain your answer. What's unique about Jesus that He can make such demands?
6. What types of excuses have you used with Jesus?
7. On your list of priorities, where does "proclaiming the kingdom" (9:60) rank?

Looking Ahead

8. In what specific area of your life do you need to stop making excuses and obey Jesus?
9. What plan do you have to make these needed changes? Record each group member's goals in association to these questions.

Pray: Ask God for His grace to surrender fully to following Christ.

<u>What Questions do I have for my Family Group?</u>	<u>Key Cross References:</u>
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How to use this guide:

- **Study and discuss the passage**, not necessarily the outline of the sermon
- Don't feel pressure to ask all the questions, use your discernment based on time and needs of the group
- Engage the mind with good doctrine and move to the heart pushing toward application (A key diagnostic for the leader to discern the health of his group is to listen "heart" conversation.)
- Designate a group member to record the spiritual goals of the group, so you can hold each other accountable each meeting.